Movements Among the Politicians

-In the Police Court-Notes.

The Sunday school class of Mr. T. C.

O'Neal gave him askerprise party at his

residence, on Prince street, last night, the

occasion being his seventy-seventh, birth-

day. During the evening they presented

him with a gold-headed silk umbrella.

Music, recitations and other pastimes were

indulged in. A recitation, entitled "Over

the Sea," was delivered by Mr. Joseph

Ramsay, and was well received. Among

those present were Messrs. Samuel F.

Stokeley, George Schwarzman, James

Wells, Harry Sisson, Joseph Ramsay,

Henry Aystrike, John Schwarzman and

Base Ball Team Organized.

ized in this city. The team is composed of

young men under seventeen years of age.

The following have already been signed:

E. Simpson, C. Brenner, R. Smlth, E. Ar-

nold, J. Coffman, H. Miller, C. Crump, J.

Riely and J. Burroughs. The base ball season in this city will be an unusually in-

teresting one, as games have already been arranged with several strong amateur teams of Washington.

The "Lily Whites" Organize.

The white republicans of this city have

formed a new political organization, the

name of which is the "Lily Whites." The

leaders claim that they are making quite an

inroad in the democratic party, and that

they will carry the city by a large majority at the coming elections.

Made an Assignment.

Mr. J. Lee Lash yesterday made an as-

signment of his eigar factory, stock, etc.,

to Mr. R. M. Latham, for the benefit of his

creditors. The amounts of the assets and

liabilities are not given in the deed, but it

is said that his stock of cigars and tobac-

co will pay off all indebtedness. Mr. J. G. Lash is named as a preferred creditor for

Police Court.

Mayor Thompson had only one case be-

fore him this morning for trial. Jumbo

Grady, a ten-year-old negro boy, was

charged with attempting to cut a small white boy named Peter Schoem with a knife. The case was continued until 7 o'clock tonight.

The funeral of the late H. K. Powell took

place yesterday afternoon. The interment was in the Methodist Protestant cemetery.

The depositions in the case of the libel-

were taken before Commissioner J. S. Fow-

Mr. Wythe White of the telephone ex-

change has returned from a pleasant visit

PAYING PENSIONS.

Check by Mail.

Action was taken by the House yester-

hereafter all pensioners of the United

States shall be paid by checks sent them

through the mail, and which breaks up the

The bill, which was passed by the House

yesterday, repeals section 4784 of the Re-

vised Statutes, prescribing the manner of

is given pension agents "to take and certify

the affidavits of all pensioners and their

witnesses who may personally appear be-

fore them for that purpose, in which case

the check for the pension, when due and

payable, shall be given direct to the hand

and not malled to his address." T privilege has resulted in recent years

men and others, who manage to

of the party entitled thereto, if desired,

serious abuses, the veterans frequently fall-ing into the hands of sharpers, confidence

them of a large amount, if not all, of their

quarterly payments.

In the report accompanying the bill it is

stated that the evident intention of the law

was to accommodate those pensioners who was to accommodate those pensioners who resided in the cities at which the pension agencies were located. Statistics show that but ten per cent of all the pensioners avail themselves of the provision of obtaining

their checks in person. Continuing, the re-

port says:
"The custom of social intercourse that

was at first occasioned by the meeting upon 'pay day' has been displaced by the baneful practice of designing men and women, who prey upon the weaknesses of the veterans and surround them with pitfalls of

vice and temptations, into which they frequently soon deposit the pittance which a

grateful government has provided for their

support and the maintenance of their fam-

"The custom prompts thousands to visit

the agencies from long distances, at great-

er expense than their incomes warrant, and leads to habits that are injurious to their

morals and ruimous to their purses. The

desire to be early 'in line' to receive their pay keeps hundreds upon the streets or in shelter in the corridors of the agency. Af-

shelter in the corridors of the agency. Af-ter a night spent in cold corridors or upon the streets, waiting for the pay day of the morrow, many fall easy victims to those who for a small fee cash their checks, or

by poisonous politeness lead them to drink

and debauchery, from which they emerge penniless into the presence of the police

As the proposed legislation will wholly

abolish personal payment and establish the

and establish the universal rule of payment by checks transmitted through the mail, and as its object is the protection of the veterans and their

families, the bill was passed without ob-

Declines All Responsibility.

Capt. J. A. Perry, who was recently

elected to the chairmanship of the finance

committee, which was schosen at the meet-

ing presided over by Mr. E. B. Welbourn,

celebration, has declined to serve in such a

celebration, has decided to serve in such a capacity, and has requested The Evening Star to notify the public that he will not be responsible for any debts that might be incurred, or for any money that might be

collected by persons bepresenting them-selves as coming from thim.

Raedy and Beckham Matched.

Pat Raedy and Flite Peckham have been

matched to fight for the heavy-weight

championship of the District of Columbia,

formerly held by Billy McMillan. The con-

est will take place in Virginia on the 31s

Merchant Tailors Banquet.

The Merchant Tailors' Society will have

their annual banquet the 12th instant at the

Raleigh. Distinguished speakers are to be

present and leading lights of the craft from

Counsel Fees Allowed.

against Mary L. Cornell, Judge Hagner

other cities will be among the guests.

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jection.

day, the effect of which is to provide that

ed to Make the Payment by

Rev. J. H. Butler conducted the services.

Another base ball team has been organ-

Alonzo Wolfred.

a debt of \$800.

Alfred street

to Richmond.

Bill Pass

STRENGTH IS Wedded to Beauty

In the

The extraordinary popularity of the 1806 Columbia Bicycle has placed it head and shoulders over its competitors. 'Twere folly to deny that other good wheels are made, but the Columbia combines the perfections and improvements of them all. Study them in every detail at our show rooms or in severe daily use by learners and hirers at the Columbia Bicycle Academy. To have been explained the good points in the 1806 Columbia is to know of every latest improvement in wheel making.

J. Hart Brittain, Local Manager, 452 Pennsylvania Ave.

CUPID SOMETIMES BETRAYS.

Some of the Vagaries for Which Lovers Are Guilty.

From the Chicago Record. I know a well-built, well-groomed man of the world, with a strong, masculine face, a

splendidly athletic figure, standing six feet three inches in his stockings, and stately and dignified in his bearing. His enraptured wife finds no word so expressive of her appreciation of his charms as "Kitten." She, by the way, is a Juno, and he, not to be outdone in matters of the heart, also calls her "Kitten." So it is Kitten and Kitten, until I am sure they have forgotten that the English language possesses proper rouns in general usage in polite society. Then there is a fat man with a pudgy face and protruding figure. Nothing seems to satisfy the soul of his doting wife but Birdle. Birdle he is, Birdle he must be, though all the world blush for it.

Then I cannot forget one of my dea friends, whose husband, twenty years her senior, is a hard-headed business man, I know that she is a most devoted, loving wife, and that when her passion for him is at moderate height she contents herself with "mall tweetees," and "cunning single," but when it rises to flood tide, she casts upon him the most loving and languishing

glances and calls him "Crow. Another tall, gaunt, raw-boned, ill-favored friend is also worthy of passing mention. His hair is carrot-colored and scraggly, his neck so thin that it resembles nothing so much as a snarl of strings, while his hands, feet and anatomy generally call up visions of Ichabod Crane. His affectionate spouse could find no name for him that so pleased her fancy as "Puddin." She scold ed him as "Puddin" and loved him as "Puddin." As "Puddin" he was cowed, driven and bullied, and as "Puddin" he was coax-

ed, wheedled and caressed. is surprising that a delicate, refined. highbred woman could best express her ardor for her husband in the words "Snooks" and "Shoppy," yet I have known such to be the case; and it would seem as though a dignified professor might object to being called "Hubby," but I have seen him respond to it with a smile so wide that the Cheshire cat wasn't in it.

One prominent literary man rarely ad-One prominent literary man rarely audresses his tiny young wife as anything but "Kid," which is not inappropriate, if something unmusical. But it is usually the very little man with the enormous wife whose ebulitions of sentimental tenderness can enly find expression in calling her "Baby.

These are by no means the vagaries of youth and inexperience.

I was once traveling in one of the Western states, when a groom of about seventy came aboard with a blushing bride of per

haps sixty-five. They soon became oblivious and this conversation was heard: He-"Whose ittle lammie?" She-"Bof of us."

And perhaps all are familiar with the overheard conversation between the Con-cerd School of Philosophy professor and his young bride, the Vassar graduate: V. G.—"Darling?"

Professor-"What, darling?" V. G .- "Nothing, darling-only darling."

Professor-"Darling!"

A Soldier's Self-Sacrifice.

in her poor home, and undertook her sup-port while she lived, and the story of his death helped his comrades to nobler conceptions of a soldier's duty.

NOT IN HIS UMBRELLA. But It Was Found Eventually and the Two East Siders Missed a "Scrap."

From the New York Tribune. The man got on the cable car at Chambers street and Broadway, bound uptown. It was a rainy night, and he carried an umbrella and had his trousers turned up. He took a seat well forward. When the conductor came up for his fare the man handed him a ccin. As he did so it disappeared. No one heard it drop, and neither knew what had become of it. The conductor looked for it on the floor. Then he made every one in that part of the car move, so that he could raise the wooden grating. This, naturally, put all in a bal humor, but the money was not to be found The conductor went out on the back platform, as if content to consider the affair a closed incident. No one noticed whether he rang up the fare or not. Soon the passen-

ger, who had begun to fidget, beckoned to "I want my change," he said. "I gave "I didn't get your meney," was the an-

swer. "I want your fare."
"You did get it. I handed you a dime and you dropped it. Give me my nickel or I'll make trouble for you." The conductor had a temper of his own

and was now ready to meet the angry pas-senger half way. "If you don't pay your fare I'll put you off." You'll have some fun doing that, I'll go bail. You'd better give me my change."

The conductor caught hold of the man as

if to put him off, but was roughly shaken away. The occupants of the car became deeply interested, and the women who were near the thick of battle moved away. "Aw, they won't scrap," said a young East Sider to his companion. "They ain't

"Perhaps the dime dropped into your umbrella," ventured a man who was carrying

a violin case.
"That's so," said the passenger who was about to be ejected. He seemed heartily about to be ejected the effair with honor and glad to get out of the affair with honor and without violence. Admiring glances were east at the man with the violin case, and his cleverness was audibly commented on. The umbrella was partly opened, and several persons peered into it to see the dime. But they didn't see it, and the owner of the umbrella felt about for the coin in vain. The conductor had also seemed pleased

at the prospective ending of the trouble, but now he felt called on to renew his efforts to put off the man who hadn't paid

"The money touched your hand, didn't it?" demanded the passenger. "Yes; but I didn't have it."

"If it touched your hand it was in your custody. That's good law, isn't it?" inquired the man, looking at the other pas-The involuntary jury disagreed

en this legal question.
"I ain't got the money, and that's all there is to it," said the conductor in surly tones. "Come, you'll have to get off."
"Maybe the money dropped into the fold of your trousers' leg." suggested a passenof your trousers' leg." suggested a passenger just at this moment, pointing to the mar's turned-up trousers. A search quickly revealed the dime, it was handed to the conductor, the change was given and the two East Siders left the car at Union Square, probably disgusted.

THE BOX OFFICE CLERK.

How He Sells Tickets So as to Make the Thin House Look Full. From the Boston Travelle:.

The box office man of one of our thea ters let me into a little secret the other day that proves the existence of gray matter and science behind the theater window. and science behind the theater window. We were speaking of the depressing effect of small audiences, when he remarked: "I assure you that it is a fine art to distribute a small audience so that the people in it will not feel isolated. If the ticket-seller knows his business he will so apportion a small sale that a sparse house will be made to look full. This is done by a nice acquaintance with his chairs and the science of distribution, four or five people being quantance with his chairs and the science of distribution, four or five people being seated here, as many more there, and twice as many there, the object being to make a little collection of heads visible in whichever direction one looks, and the squads so grouped as to cover the beggarly array of empty benches by bringing the heads in

-Mediation of a Foreigner-Weyler Defended.

The New York World printed the following statement of the policy of Spain regarding Cuba and Congress, by the Spanish

"MADRID, March 6. "We have, as yet, no official notification of the intentions of the American government, and cannot, therefore, take cognizance of or protest by note against any of the proceedings of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States. We have taken no official notice whatever of the proceedings and speeches in Washington during the

"Nor have we sounded the European powers or courts regarding their support in any form. All we have done is to show to the American government and to Minister Taylor that we have endeavored to enforce respect for the American legation and consulates, repressing so sternly the disturb-ances that we have ordered the Madrid, Granada, Barcelona and Valencia univer-sities closed, and we will close all universi-ties, schools and establishments whose students dare to make demonstrations hos-tile to the United States. We will send to prison and prompt trial all the authors and promoters of such disturbances. We believe they are prompted by the advanced repub-licans.

Able to Quell Demonstrations. "Nothing will be omitted on our side to show our desire to preserve cordial relations with America. I am convinced that we possess sufficient means to quell any hostile demonstrations. The government of Spain regrets and has made all the amends possible for the manifestation already made of the indignation which the speeches at Washington naturally excited among the ever-

loyal people of Spain.
"The situation now is one of extreme delicacy. Indeed, I cannot define how far it is possible for the government of Spain to permit the amicable and careful mediation of a foreign nowar however honorable and discourse power honorable and discourse however honorable and discourse however honorable and discourse however honorable and discourse honorable honorable honorable honorable honorable honorable honorable honorable honorable honor mit the amicable and careful mediation of a foreign power, however honorable and disinterested it may be, without incurring the grave risk of being accused of submitting to outside interference, pressure and dictation in the midst of a civil war. The United States are a great power, and until they recognize the object and excessors. States are a great power, and until they recognize the object and encourage the aims of the insurrectionists in Cuba they are friendly to Spain. After the recognition of the belligerents in Cuba by the United States it would be impossible for the government of Spain to accept the good offices of President Cleveland or to permit any interference whatever.

"Nevertheless, I still hope some means will be found by the President to avoid allenating the friendly relations with the United States, which Spain has shown this week that she prizes highly.

The Vote in Congress.

"I am fully alive to the significance and the possible consequences of the vote of the United States Congress to the rebels as well as to Spain in her relations with the United States, especially in connection with the right of search on the high seas,

and in the matter of privateers and filibus-"The only new and seemingly warlike preparations yet made by Spain are made simply with a view to equipping a fleet of warships and trans-Atlantic steamers to chase filibusters, and to guard the coasts of Cuba. That is the sole object in view. Gen, Weyler having said that he has had enough troops, only the usual reliefs will be sent to Cuba until autumn, and no naval demonstration is contemplated.

"The elections will not interfere with the action of the government, as it intends to conduct them in a tolerant spirit for all parties, fair representation being arranged for even the West Indian constituencies. Besides, in every imperial and international question the Spaniards have always shown "The only new and seemingly warlike

question the Spaniards have always shown a patriotic spirit.

Defending Weyler.

"The misapprehension concerning Gen. Weyler's character and methods as a soldier originated in a misstatement of facts in his career and of his assignments and practice becoming so common of pensioners instructions. Both in Cuba, twenty years calling at the pension agencies in person ago, and in the Philippine Islands since and receiving their quarterly payments. then, Weyler has only carried out the orders of his chiefs.

"Before he left for Cuba the last time I saw and spoke to him, and approved his paying pensions. In this section authority views. Consequently, he has simply acted in harmony with the requirements of this war, in which the insurgents have not only war, in which the insurgents have not only defied the rules of civilized warfare, but have violated the provisions of the treaty of 1795 between Spain and the United States, and of the protocol of 1877, respecting the lives and property of all real and allezed American citizens in Cuba.
"I am determined to carry out the administrative political reforms already voted

by the cortes as soon as the pacification of the island permits, and even such economical tariff reforms as may be consistent with the interests of both the colony and the mother country.

"But it is impossible to attempt reforms during a civil war er under any foreign pressure in the present condition of the

"When Marshal Campos was sent to Cuba as governor general the government would certainly have allowed him to in-stitute the reforms if he had deemed them advisable. But he soon discovered that it was impossible to do so.
"We cannot admit

cannot admit that the slightest ground exists for the "ecognition of the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents, whose so-called president, the Marquis of Santa Lucia, and the members of his executive council are nomads, like the rebel bands, ever on the move. For instance, they were nearly surprised and captured this week by column in the province of Las CANOVAS DEL CASTILLO."

CAPITAL CITY GUN CLUB.

Election of Officers - Interest in the Coming Rockville Tournament. The annual meeting of the Capital City

Gun Club was largely attended by the members, and much enthusiasm was manifested over the bright prospects ahead of the organization. Officers for the ensuing year were unamimously elected as follows: President, Capt. G. C. West; vice president. B. L. Osborn; treasurer, James M. Green; secretary, Arthur S. Mattingly, while the veteran pigeon shot, William Wagner, was again chosen captain. R. W. Barker was made the fifth member of the executive council. The treasurer's report showed the club to be in a very healthy financial condition, with several hundred dollars to its credit in bank and no indebtedness. It was also reported that there were several thousand birds on hand for the approaching shooting season, with an ample supply of traps, electric poles and all the paraphernalia needed in a first-class gun club Improvements have been made in the cozy and comfortable club house at the fcot of 21st street, and an additional house secured near it for the storage of trap-shooting materials. An appropriation of \$100 was made with which to purchase prizes for the season's shooting of the club, and a committee was appointed to arrange the program and handleap the shooters. This committee has decided on a handleap that will allow every shooter to shoot as he please without being bound the shooters.

by annoying rules or restrictions. Commencing with April 1 the traps will be out at the club grounds at the foot of 21st street every Tuesday and Saturday, at 2:30 p.m. The meeting decided that as many members of the club as could pos-sibly do so should attend the tournament of the Rockville Gun Club, April 17 and 18. because of the meritorious object it had in view, the proceeds of the tournament to be devoted to replenishing the depleted quail supply of Montgomery county.

It was also announced that a number of applications would be made by well-known sportsmen at the next meeting. In connection with the coming tournament at Rockville the Rockville Gun Club appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Wm. E. Burford, Mr. Arthur McCormick grouped as to cover the beggarly array of empty benches by bringing the heads in range of one another.

"A clever man will seat an audience of three hundred to that it will look like one of six or seven hundred."

and Mr. Cluskey Cromwell to represent it in Washington. A number of merchants have indicated that they will make donations of articles for prizes and the lovers of sport are taking much interest in the affair.

SPAIN'S POSITION STATED AFFAIRS IN ALEXANDRIA POLITICAL SPEECHES

The government printing office will have much more than usual to do with the coming campaign. The country is expected to be literally papered with documents, and in that great shop will be done most of the printing. From year to year, since the phrase "educational campaign" has been played upon the amount of printing tor political purpose has steadily grown.

During the last campaign about 8,000,000 speeches were printed, put in wrappers and sent forth for the enlightenment of an eager public. The result of all this educational influence was not entirely satisfactory to the democrats, but this will not discourage them nor destroy their faith in printers' ink.

Millions of Speeches.

The calculation is that this year several million more copies of speeches will be circulated than there were last year. The number is usually about equally divided be-tween the two principal parties, and be-sides what is done from the government printing office there is much printing done by private contract later in the campaign,

when the rush is on.

There has been practically no let-up in the distribution of political tracts rince the last election. The enlisted missionaries of the silver faith and of the gold faith have been on a paper basis all these months, and have so rapidly increased the per capita circulation that it is estimated that two-thirds of the carpets of the country are padded with these learned tracts at a ratio of utter impartiality.

Documentary Arguments.

But these tracts are formed in very small part of congressional literature. The congressional paper is just now beginning the resumption of circulation. The greatest faith is had in the efficacy of documentary arguments. The sending out of the printed speeches of Congressmen in great quantities does not usually begin until the campaign has opened. But now, when the campaign committees are just organizing, and will not their work for many weeks, and will not begin their work for many weeks, and while the nominations are yet all to be made, hundreds of thousands of speeches are being ordered. The silver men expect to send out four or five millions of the speech of Towne of Minnesota. A hundred thousand of these have already been printed, and against that there have been printed in 100 for the second there have been printed, and against that there have been printed 100,000 of the speech of Turner of Georgia, sustaining the gold side of the controversy. Seventy-five thousand of Fowler's speech, and about the same number of Tillman's, have been ordered. These are unusual orders so far in advance of the actual campaign.

Silver and Gold.

lants against the steam dredge Morgan When the campaign is regularly on it is were taken before Commissioner J. S. Fowler yesterday.

There will be a called meeting of the
board of police commissioners tonight in
the mayor's office. It is expected that business of importance will be transacted.

Mrs. Thomas, who was brutally assaulted by her husband about ten days ago, as
mentioned in The Star, continues to improve, and her physicians have strong
hopes of her recovery.

The joint committee on streets and public
property have completed the drafting of expected that there will be a lively contest to keep up the parity of circulation between the speeches of Dingley and Turner, republican and democrat, on one side of the money question, and Crisp and Towne, likewise representing the two parties, on the other side of the question. Dingley's speech will undoubtedly be circulated by the republican campaign committee when the active work begins, and it is likely that sound money committees generally will avail themselves of this very business-like property have completed the drafting of the building inspection bill, which will be submitted to council Thesday night.

State Senator Geo. A. Mushback and Delegate May have returned from their legislative duties at Richmond.

Miss Sallie Patton of Staunton is the statement of their side of the case. Towne's speech is regarded as the best of the session on the silver side of the question, and it will undoubtedly have the largest circulation. His and Crisp's will be the offset to Dingley's and Turner's. Miss Sallie Patton of Staunton is the guest of Mrs. George S. French on North

Other Speeches.

The A. P. A. speeches will all have immense circulation, if one may judge from the experience of last Congress. At that time one Senator alone bought and distrib-Quite a number of speeches on the Cuban Venezueian and Armenian affairs are being sent out, but this seems to result from lit-tle more than the pride of authorship and popular interest in the subject, without having any relation to partisan politics. The subjects are not thought to furnish the material for partisan advancement. There is a demand for the best speeches on all three subjects without regard to the party to which the author belongs.

Mr. Frye's eloquent and unexpected out-

burst of eloquence on the Armenian ques-tion has attracted much attention and made him the favorite on that subject. On the Cuban question the greatest demand is for the speeches of Vest and Sherman Vest's speech that is most sought is that which, like the speech by Frye, was an impromptu outburst.

WITH 200 STORIES.

Extraordinary Sky-Scraper as Planned by Architects. From the New York World. A capitalist of this city submitted the

idea of a building 200 stories high to a firm of architects. At first they regarded the idea as visionary. "Examine it carefully." said their

client, "and make your report." The architects did so. They concluded that their part of the work was practical and practicable; that a 200-story building could be erected, provided the vast sum of money necessary to construct it was forth-

Its plan, as drawn, somewhat resemble that of the Eiffel tower, that wonder of the last Paris exposition. But this building will last Faris exposition. But this building will be nearly three times as high as the Eiffel ower, and its construction presents vastly greater difficulties.

The structure will occupy one large city

block. It will, of course, be just as the buildings that are now considered tall are built of steel. The framewor of these buildings is like that of a bridge The bridge is placed on end and surrounded y an outer wall of stone or granite. In the 200-story building the bridge will e longer, that's all.

It will have 120,000 square feet of space on each floor; 24,000,000 square feet of space on the 200 floors.

It will contain 100,000 separate offices and

It will accommodate 400,000 people under one roof. Necessarily, the first question to be answered in planning for this sky-piercing structure was: "How will people reach the upper stories?"

The answer is: "By electric elevators."

It is the purpose of the projectors of the building to gather on its commodious floors 200 distinct communities of business men the hardware dealers, on another the harness makers, and so on. So the conduct of great interests will be simplified, and more work can be done in that building in four hours than can be accomplished elsewhere in an ordinary work day of eight or ten

Robberies Reported.

at Mt. Carmel Church in few days ago, to make arrangements for the emancipation W. Henson left his vest hanging in the hall of Page's Hotel February 18. When he returned for it he found that some one had taken his gold watch, and he has asked the police to look out for it. Richard Dean of 710 D street complains

of the theft of a gold watch and chain.

J. T. Tekoski, 1853 7th street, has reported to the police that a pair of black trousers were stolen from his shop yesterday. H. M. Mays of 307 Missouri avenue complained to the police this morning that a suit of clothes, a watch, breast pin and a pocket book, containing \$3.75 in money were stolen from his house yesterday.

A New Methodist Church. St. Paul's Church, Dupont Circle, the en-

terprise inaugurated by the Metropolitan M. E. Church, has become independent Rev. Stowell Bryant has been invited to become the first pastor. Dr. Hugh Johnston will preach his closing discourse tomorrow morning, and in the evening the morrow morning, and in the evening the Sunday school will hold its first missionary service. There will be fine singing, and Bishop Hurst and Mr. Edward Gurney of In the divorce case of George Cornell Toronto will speak.

against Mary L. Cornell, Judge Hagner today directed Mr. Cornell to pay \$40 counsel fees to his wife's attorney, Mr. P. M. Brown. The complainant, a herdic driver, charges his wife with cruelty.

The Spanish Premier Expresses Himself on Social and Personal Notes of General In- They Will Be Circulated by the Mil-WATCH REPAIRING.

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showing in the Tailoring display of today-Prices are lower than prevailed on similar goods-More exclusive designs are shown-more elegance is displayed-A greater variety is here to choose from - In short, the spring showings of Suitings - Trouserings -Top Coatings and Coatings are matchless-

Mertz and Mertz.

006 F Street.

Matters of Interest in the Routine of School

Arranging for the Athletic Games Musical and Literary Organiza-

tions Among the Students.

At a meeting of the Central High School Literary and Debating Society held Wednesday afternoon officers were elected as follows: President, Mr. Burton; vice president. Lieut. Howe: secretary and treasurer. Capt. Hoge: sergeant-at-arms. Herbert B Fuller. An essay on "The Russian Railroad System" was read by Lieut. Howe, after which there was a debate on the question, "Resolved. That the government should not own and control the railroads." The affirmative was supported by Messrs. Eurton and Julihn, and Messrs. Norris and Olcott upheld the negative, and were awarded the decision of the judges, who

were Mr. Harry English, Miss Eva Pitts and Miss Seaver. The regular meeting of the Junior Club, which occurs every other Friday evening, was held at the home of Miss May Hall, 1005 H street, last night. Guessing con-tests were in order during the first part of the evening, then dancing was indulged in and refreshments were served. Those pres-ent were Misses Pease, Clark, Moore, Jones, Knight and Shoenbern, and Messrs. Chase, Morris, Capt. Heover, Capt. Hoge Lieut. Howe and Maj. Fox. At the last meeting of the Pi Delta

Lambda Debating Society the subject, "Resolved. That an cath is binding under all circumstances," was discussed, and following officers elected for the third quarter: Miss Allace Seaver, president; Miss Mildred Dean, vice president, and Miss Victoria Ludgate, secretary and

treasurer.

At a meeting called in the interests of the athletic meet, which was presided over by Mr. Harry English, head of the department of nathematics, the following committee of three, one each from the sophomore junior and senior classes, was elected: Mr. Philip Tindall, '96; Lieut. Farrow, '97, and Mr. Fred Albert, '98.
The Central High School Orchestra, un-

der the direction of Mr. Sherburne, tea of Greek and Latin, is arranging for a dra matic and terpsichorean entertainment which is to be given on the 9th of next month. The program will include a curtain raiser, "Breaking the Ice," by Miss Grace Ress and Mr. Robert Test; "Lend Me Five Shillings," by High School talent, and a program of fourteen dances, the music fo which will be furnished by the Central School Orchestra. Rehearsals are now being held for the production of "Lend Me Five Shillings," which is under the stage direction of Mr. Test, who is assisting Mr. Sherburne in the

enterprise. The cast of characters, as selected by Mr. Test, is as follows: Mr. Harry English as Captain Phobbs, Mr. Guy Meloy as Captain Spruce, Mr. Harry H. Platt as Morland, Mr. Daly as Sam, Mr. Robert Tes as Mr. Golightly, Miss Grace Ross as Mrs. Major Phobbs, and Miss Helen Biddis as Mrs. Captain Phobbs. The chess tournament between teams from the Central and Eastern schools was

begun Tuesday night at the home of Mr. Hellprin, 926 B street southwest. Messrs. Brown, Kummell, Hellprin and Julihn represented the Central and Messrs. Park-man, Snell, Story and Hurst the Eastern. Out of the eight games played the Eastern team won five and a half and the Central team won two and a half, the individual scores being: Central-Brown, lost two: Heilprin, lost two: Kummell, won one and drew one, and Julihn, won and lost one. Eastern-Parkman and Story each winning two: Snell, lost two, and Hurst, won one Eastern.

On Tuesday appropriate exercises attended by the entire school, were held in memorial of William Parsons, one of last year's graduates, who died last week.

AT THE HIGH SCHOOLS lege to such students as require the constant use of the library books. Under the present plan they are required to obtain a card of permission every time they want a reference book. At the regular weekly meeting held on Thursday afternoon the same topic was more thoroughly discusand it was finally decided to grant such a

privilege.

Mr. Philip Gerry, director of the Glee Club, has not yet decided on the other two mem-bers of the second quartet. The latest organization at this school is a

club that goes under the name of the Big Four Pie Devourers, which meets at Delmonico's each recess for practice. Business.

An orchestra of twelve members has been started at this school lately through the efforts of T. Brook Amiss. The members and the instruments they will play are as fellows: T. Brook Amiss, violin; S. Monroe, violin; George Mueller, violin; Miss Hunter, banjo; Miss Fearson, mandolin; Alvin V. Quinter, cornet; Miss Troup, guitar; Mr. Cohen, violin, and Misses McGill and Mc-Lean have not as yet decided upon the in-struments they will play. Miss Dougherty and Mr. Hooker will act as accompanists on the piano. No regular director has as yet been appointed, and until the position is filled Mr. Amiss will act in this capacity.

All of the second year English sections are claiming the record for the amount of studying required of them in one night. On Monday they were given the first half of Montgomery's English History to go over for Tuesday, and then given the other half Wednesday. Thursday they were required to memorize twenty-nine stanzas of peetry from Horatius.

The publication of the Balance Sheet, the

official school paper of the Business, is de-layed this month on account of the sick-Less of Robert L. Stone, the editor-in-chief.

Miss Robinette will soon inaugurate a
scheme for raising money for the benefit of the library, which will be similar to that of the Eastern school last year, by which they managed to raise three hundred and some odd dollars. During the past week she completed the labeling of the books and cataloguing them according to the Dewey sys-

At a meeting of those interested in the High School track and field athletic sports that are to occur in the early part of spring, as requested by the Central athletic committee, a committee of three to represent the tee, a committee of tarce to repeat the school was elected to meet the committees of the other three schools. Mr. Eugene Gough, Capt. Newton Ferree and Sergeant Dana White were unanimously chosen as representatives of the Business.

The united work of the boys' and girls' glee clubs is very satisfactory, and both organizations are prospering finely, under the careful direction of Miss Daisy Dexter. Western.

A change of teachers has recently occurred at the school because of the resignation of Mr. Kane, who taught Latin and Greek. He resigned to accept a similar position in New York.

The vacancy has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Dales. On Tuesday morning of last week the senior girls, under the direction of Mrs. Walton, spent an enjoyable hour with the waiten, spent an enjoyane nour with the late poet, Eugene Field. Miss Lyddane gave a brief sketch of his life, followed by Miss Coyle, who rec'ted "The Dual," and Miss Charles, who rendered "The Night Wind." Miss Lockwood then sang Field's

wind." Miss Lockwood then sang Field's pathetic poem, "Little Boy Blue," and Miss Jehnson recited "The Bench-legged Fyce." Miss Davis concluded the hour with the recitation of "Winken, Blinken and Nod" and "Seeing Things at Night."

Mrs. Taylor, the teacher of physical culture and elocution in the Cleveland School of Art, then gave on informal tells of Art, then gave an informal talk. A movement is on foot at present for the purchase of a flag, and subscriptions are now in order. No flag has waved over the building for the past two years, and as the government will not provide one the patriotic pupils have undertaken to procure

one themselves. The sophomore class has formed a new secret organization, known as the L. J. C. Mr. Jackson is the president.

The Current History or Topic Club held its weekly meeting Wednesday after dismissa! All present joined in a discussion of the Cuban question.

A meeting of the teachers was called Wednesday afternoon to discuss the advisability of extending a permanent privi-

In Sir Evelyn Wood's "Reminiscences" a touching instance of courage and self-sacrifice is given. One day in June, 1855, a detachment of English marines were crossing the Woronzow road, under fire from the Russian batteries. All of the men reached shelter in the trenches except a seaman. John Blewitt. As he was running a terrific rear was heard. His mates knew the voice of a huge cannon, the terror of the army, end yelled: "Look out! It is Whistling Dick!" But at the moment Blawitt was But at the moment Blewitt was bruck: But at the information on the struck by the enormous mass of iron on the knees and thrown to the ground. He called to his especial chum: "Oh, Welch, save me!" was hissing, but Stephen Welch ran out of the trenches, and seizing the great shell, tried to roll it off his comrade. It exploded with such terrific force that not an atom of the bodies of Blewitt or Welch was found. Even in that time, when each heur had its excitement, this deed of heroism stirred the whole English army. One of the officers searched out Welch's old mother